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Mr. Bob Perkes
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Dear Bob,

Southeastern Illinois Electric Cooperative has received an application for service from Arclar Company for their new Willow Lake Portal and East Portal. The Willow Lake Portal will be located within the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 1 and Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 2, Township 9 South, Range 7 East being Cottage Township of Saline County. The East Portal will be located just east of this location but will actually share the same reserves and the same slope as Willow Lake.

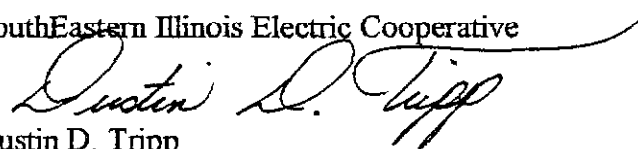
SouthEastern Illinois Electric Cooperative currently supplies the power to Big Ridge Portal #2, the Big Ridge Shop and the Big Ridge Prep Plant. SouthEastern Illinois Electric Cooperative also supplies power for the Eagle Valley Underground, the Wildcat Hills Strip Mine, the Empire Marine Dock and the Eagle Valley Prep Plant. The Willow Lake Portal will access the same reserves that Big Ridge Portal #2 is currently mining. Arclar Company plans to move equipment from Big Ridge Portal #2 to the Willow Lake Portal. Arclar Company also plans to move equipment from the Eagle Valley Underground to the East Portal.

Per our Service Area Agreement dated May 19, 1968 this letter serves as notice that SouthEastern Illinois Electric Cooperative intends to serve all surface and underground operations for the Willow Lake and East Portals whose demand is expected to exceed 1,500 kw. SouthEastern Illinois Electric Cooperative will proceed with permanent construction in order to provide the construction power by December 2000.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (618)-273-2611.

Sincerely,

SouthEastern Illinois Electric Cooperative


Dustin D. Tripp
Manager of Engineering & Customer Service

cc: Jerry Tice

